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PARK AND OPEN SPACE BOARD
Wednesday, February 16, 2022
6:30 PM
South Conference Room

Minutes

- 1) Call to Order, Roll Call
Vice Chair Cain called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

Present:

Vice Chair Jason Cain
Board Member James Lysaught
Alderman Kathleen Schneider
Board Member Anton Usowski
Board Member Gerald Vite
Board Member Joseph Branch -- **Absent**
Board Member Peter Bratt -- **Absent**
Board Member Breanne Plier -- **Absent**
Alternate Alderman Brian Parrish -- **Excused**

Also present were Parks and Forestry Superintendent Gies, and Administrative Assistant Deuster.

- 2) Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. January 19, 2022 Minutes

RESULT: **Approved [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Board Member Lysaught

SECONDED BY: Board Member Vite

AYES: Cain, Lysaught, Schneider, Usowski, Vite

- 3) Action Item

Discussion and Action

- a. **RESOLUTION 3919** A Resolution Authorizing Receipt of Infrastructure Improvements and Execution of a Dedication Agreement with Thiensville-Mequon Youth Baseball Association for Fencing Improvements at River Barn Park

Parks and Forestry Superintendent Gies informed the board of a dedication agreement with Mequon Heat-MTLL for fencing at River Barn Park. This fencing was an item on the park

and open space board's capital improvement project list. This will be a split participation with the City of Mequon. The fencing allows for a differentiation of the baseball/soccer/lacrosse fields along with keeps dogs/pets from being run on the ballfields. This also allows for users to raise funds with banners and it will be the same chainlink fencing as field 3 in the park.

Mequon Heat-MTLL representative Jim Moyer was present to answer any questions.

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Board Member Vite

SECONDED BY: Board Member Lysaught

AYES: Cain, Lysaught, Schneider, Usowski, Vite

b. 1840 Brewing Company Events

Parks and Forestry Superintendent Gies informed the board of the renewal of the Special Event Agreement with 1840 Brewing. 1840 Brewing plans to use River Barn, Community Park, and Lemke Park this season for events. They also added an additional fall date in October for a special release to be held at Community Park.

RESULT: **Approved [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Board Member Vite

SECONDED BY: Alderman Schneider

AYES: Cain, Lysaught, Schneider, Usowski, Vite

4) Discussion Item

a. Discussion on a possible dog park land donation near Rotary Park

Parks and Forestry Superintendent Gies provided the board with details on a possible land donation for a dog park near Rotary Park. Staff included a list of projects that would need to be considered when accepting the donation.

Staff requested feedback on if the board would be in support of a land donation for a dog park.

The board discussed fencing height, items that the City could cover, the possibility of donations for items in the park or an eagle scout project, possible dog park fees to go toward future maintenance costs. The board agreed a second dog park in Mequon is of great interest by residents and spoke in support of the land donation.

b. 2022 Work Plan

Parks and Forestry Superintendent Gies provided the board with the 2022 Work Plan.

5) Parks and Forestry Superintendent Report

a. Parks and Forestry Superintendent Report

Parks and Forestry Superintendent Gies informed the committee of two events coming to the City of Mequon. The Candlelight Walk in the Park, and Arbor Day.

6) Adjourn

a. Motion to Adjourn at 7:57PM.

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Board Member Vite

SECONDED BY: Alderman Schneider

AYES: Cain, Lysaught, Schneider, Usowski, Vite

Respectfully Submitted,

Casey Deuster
Administrative Assistant

Attachment: 02-16-2022 Mins_Park and Open Space (7117 : February 16, 2022 Minutes)